

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-18 (cancelled)

1 19. (currently amended): A thin film device comprising:
2 at least one thin film layer;
3 at least one ~~electrochemically plated~~ component; said component including a central
4 portion that projects generally upwardly from said thin film layer; said component being formed
5 with an overplated head that includes overhang portions, wherein said overhang portions project
6 generally laterally outward from said central portion and over said thin film layer, and wherein
7 said overhang portions include an outer edge thereof;
8 ~~hard-baked photoresist~~ being disposed beneath said overhang portions ~~to fill an area~~
9 ~~beneath said overhang portions~~; said photoresist being disposed within a volume defined by said
10 thin film layer, said central portion of said component, said overhang portions, and a surface that
11 is generally perpendicular to said thin film layer and which surface intersects said outer edge of
12 said overhang portion.

1 20. (previously presented): A thin film device as described in claim 19 wherein said
2 component is formed by electrochemically plating into an opening formed in a photoresist layer
3 using photolithographic process techniques.

1 21. (original): A thin film device as described in claim 19 wherein said device is a thin film
2 magnetic head.

1 22. (original): A thin film device as described in claim 21 wherein said component is a yoke
2 portion of a magnetic pole.

1 23. (previously presented): A thin film device as described in claim 22 wherein said yoke
2 portion is formed with straight sided pole tip portions and overplated yoke portions.

3 24. (original): A thin film device as described in claim 19 wherein said component is an
4 electrical interconnecting stud.

1 25. (currently amended): A hard disk drive, comprising:
2 at least one hard disk being adapted for rotary motion upon a drive device;
3 at least one slider device having a slider body portion being adapted to fly over said hard
4 disk; a magnetic head being formed on slider body for writing data on said hard disk; said
5 magnetic head including:
6 at least one thin film layer;
7 at least one ~~electrochemically plated~~ component; said component including a central
8 portion that projects generally upwardly from said thin film layer; said component being formed
9 with an overplated head that includes overhang portions, wherein said overhang portions project
10 generally laterally outward from said central portion and over said thin film layer, and wherein
11 said overhang portions include an outer edge thereof;

12 ~~hard-baked~~ photoresist being disposed beneath said overhang portions ~~to fill an area~~
13 ~~beneath said overhang portions; said photoresist being disposed within a volume defined by said~~
14 thin film layer, said central portion of said component, said overhang portions, and a surface that
15 is generally perpendicular to said thin film layer and which surface intersects said outer edge of
16 said overhang portion.

1 26. (previously presented): A hard disk drive as described in claim 25 wherein said
2 component is formed by electrochemically plating into an opening formed in a photoresist layer
3 using photolithographic process techniques.

1 27. (cancelled):

1 28. (original): A hard disk drive as described in claim 27 wherein said component is a yoke
2 portion of a magnetic pole.

1 29. (previously presented): A hard disk drive as described in claim 28 wherein said yoke
2 portion is formed with straight sided pole tip portions and overplated yoke portions.

1 30. (original): A hard disk drive as described in claim 25 wherein said component is an
2 electrical interconnecting stud.